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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the office action mailed May 19, 2004 (Office Action) and the office communication mailed September 1, 2004 (Communication), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this submission.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this submission.

**Amendments to the Drawings** are attached hereto separately and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this submission.

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